

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Based on PCT/DE 01/ 02277

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING BORES, IN PARTICULAR INJECTION PORTS IN
INJECTION NOZZLES, AND APPARATUS THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, Between the title and paragraph [0001] insert the following:

A₁ [0000.2] CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS
[0000.4] This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 application of PCT/DE 01/02277, filed on
June 20, 2001.

[0000.6] BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Replace paragraph [0001] with the following rewritten paragraph:

A₂ [0001] Field Of The Invention

Replace paragraph [0002] with the following rewritten paragraph:

A₃ [0002] The invention is directed to an improved method for producing bores in
workpieces of electrically conductive material, in particular injection ports in injection
nozzles of fuel injection systems for motor vehicles.